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In-Home Drowning: But I was only gone for a moment...

Drowning is the leading cause of unintentional death among children ages 1 to 4 years-old. It takes only 2 inches of water and only a few seconds for a young child to drown. Children can drown in bathtubs, buckets and pails, not just in pools or spas.



Just as with pools, in-home drowning is preventable and taking extra safety steps inside and around the home can help prevent a tragedy. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) urges parents and caregivers to childproof their home and never leave young children alone in or near bathtubs, bath seats and buckets.

New information to help parents and caregivers identify and protect against drowning risks inside and around their homes is available at our

<u>In-Home Drowning Safety Information Center</u>, where you can share the chilling video, <u>But I was only gone for a moment...</u>; print the safety alert, <u>Prevent Child In-Home Drowning Deaths</u>; and download the poster, <u>Stop In-Home Drowning Deaths</u>.

As always, thanks for helping us spread the word about product safety in your community.

Carl

If you have questions regarding this list, please contact Carl Purvis at CPurvis@cpsc.gov

Feedback

We would love to hear from you. Let us know how you use the information we send out and give us an estimate of the number of people to whom you distribute our safety messages. We also welcome ideas on how to serve you better. Please send your ideas, success stories or questions to nsn@cpsc.gov.

Safety in Numbers

Thanks to members like you sharing the safety tips and resources included in these messages, communities are being empowered with the knowledge to keep families safe. Please continue to encourage people and organizations with similar safety concerns to <u>sign up here</u> to receive Neighborhood Safety Network messages that put the power of product safety information in their hands.